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Totomoi



Totomoi-ers Rob Alley, Robby Bueno, Bill Cochran, David Chickey, Buzz Frahn, Walter Smithwick.

By BILL COCHRAN

Totomoi was founded in 1954 by headmaster Dr. Sager to recognize MBA students who have exhibited outstanding achievements in several facets of school life, as well as those faculty and community members who have had much influence on MBA. To gain membership to this honorary fraternity, a student must accumulate enough points in three of the following categories: scholarship, athletics, student government, organizations, forensics, and dramatics. In addition, the student must have a suitable academic average and must be approved by a faculty vote of two thirds.

In the winter taping, the Herculean arm of Sr. David Chickey sought out the trembling backsides of seniors Walter Smithwick, Scott Garfinkle, Rob Alley, and Buzz Frahn. In the recent spring taping, juniors Robby Bueno and Bill Cochran and faculty member Laird Smith were inducted. Our congratulations go to the new members and we thank them for their outstanding contributions to MBA.

P.M. Estes Awards: A Recognition of Excellence

By DAVID WOOD

Recently, the plans for a \$250,000 gift to the school were finalized. The money was given exclusively for funding a merit awards program. The awards are being given by Mr. P.M. Estes, Jr., in memory of his father, Mr. P.M. Estes, Sr., and will be given to boys in grades 9-12.

Though all of the criteria have not yet been determined, the following have been determined as criteria for a student to receive an award:

1. He must show leadership qualities in the school in academics, athletics, cultural and/or spiritual disciplines as well as in the community.

2. He must possess exemplary character and commitment and motivation so he is a positive influence on others.

3. He must perform well at school academically and in his extracurricular activities.

As with the criteria, the selection process is also still being determined, but a rough idea has been obtained. The process will begin with student and faculty recommendations, possibly voting will be used to select a number of candidates, who will then be examined in the second phase of the selection process which is examination by a committee of the Board of Trust.

Mr. Estes is giving \$250,000 to the school to establish a merit fund.

It is the desire of the donor that each award be substantial; therefore, it has been decided that eight awards per year will be given. Arithmetic tells us that is 2 awards per class per year. Each award will be for one year only and cannot be renewed. That is to say that a stu-

good amount. Therefore, the \$250,000 endowment must earn 6.5% interest per year to pay for all eight awards, assuming they will be \$2,000 each.

P.M. Estes, Sr. was born January 27, 1872, in Brownsville, Tennessee. He graduated from the University of Richmond before attending law school at Vanderbilt University. In 1903, he founded the Life and Casualty Insurance Company, for which he remained the general legal council until his death.

Mr. Estes, Sr. was a very active man in the Nashville community. He was founder of the Tennessee Highway Commission as well as president of the Mid-South Automobile Association, a branch of the AAA. In addition to his contributions in Nashville, Mr. Estes was also national president of the Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity, but it was his interest in joining people and in education that prompted his son to donate the fund in his name.

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"An interest in joining people and in education."

dent may not win two consecutive times, but may win more than once.

The amount of the award is not very clear yet because the money given will be an endowment, which, simply put, means the sum of \$250,000 will be invested in an account which will earn a specific amount of interest. The awards will be given from this interest money, not from the endowment itself. However, the administration, donor, and Board of Trustees have agreed that \$2,000 per award is a

Cum Laude

By WILLIE LIN

On May 2, six seniors and seven juniors were recognized for their academic achievements by being inducted into the Cum Laude Society. Two honorary members, Mrs. Francis E. Carter, Jr. and Dr. Thomas F. Frist, Sr., were also welcomed into the Cum Laude Society. To mark this occasion, Dr. R. Chris Hassel, father of last year's Morehead scholar Bryan Hassel, gave an interesting speech about the pursuit of excellence.

This year marks MBA's fifth year as a member of the Cum Laude Society. MBA held its first induction ceremony on April 30, 1981. MBA became a member only after a rigorous examination by the Cum

Laude board. After examining information about the school, such as SAT and Achievement scores, Advanced Placement test results, college placements, and National Merit Awards, the board granted MBA the well deserved honor to open a chapter of the Cum Laude Society.

"Nominees are chosen solely because of academic excellence."

Up to fifteen percent of the senior class and seven percent of the junior class are eligible for induction. Nominees are chosen solely because of academic excellence. This requirement differentiates the Cum Laude Society from other organizations which recognize students for achievements not only in academic but also in other areas of school life.

The Cum Laude Society was founded in 1906 by Dr. Abram W. Harris, head of the Tome School in Maryland. Dr. Harris wanted those students who were academically outstanding to be recognized. The motto *Arête* (excellence), *Dike* (justice), and *Time* (honor), was chosen. By 1908, seven schools had been granted membership. Today, there are 309 chapters of the Cum Laude Society. Chapters exist in Canada, France, Spain, the Philippines, and Puerto Rico.

Ah! Prom Night

By ROB IKARD

Prom night! The words bring fond memories to the minds of people who have already experienced this special occasion as seniors being honored by the awe-inspired and weary Junior class. Your mother may even become a bit misty-eyed as she reminisces about the last dance at the 1950's "Teen

Q. Currey Gymnasium, where they were presented one-by-one to a throng of admirers. The seniors and junior class officers were presented from an unusually spectacular stage (yes, it had black columns), which will no doubt rival Westminster Abbey for its architectural achievements. As this Junior class officer marched down that red carpet, to Mr. Drake's mellifluous tone he wondered, "What does this evening hold?" He found out.

At the dance, the seniors who were present and all other hard partiers were rocked by the Little Saints, a band reputed as the best in the Southeast. After the dance ("best ever" said many), food and fun aplenty were to be had at the various breakfasts. While the Frosh were breaking their "We are the world" effort in MBA's own trophy room, sophomores gathered at Trey Spence's home, the fatigued junior class feasted at the only home in Nashville, its own baptismal fon, Don Fish's, and the seniors set world party records at the Bobby Frist mansion/wildlife reserve.

Ah, Prom Night! The Prom of 1985 will long be remembered as a momentous and spectacular occasion, and the juniors were proud to show the seniors the best time possible. Now we must all sadly bid farewell to the Senior Class and all good things that are leaving "The Hill."



MBA partiers jamming to the Little Saints.

"A mystical experience."

Heaven.' The 1985 MBA Prom will no doubt generate similar memories in our seniors' minds.

Our seniors were treated like gods at Nashville's Olympian Richland Country Club, where they dined on Ambrosia while enjoying the Senior Roast, which contained the brilliant comedy of Cotton Mather and the subtlety of Richard Pryor. After this mystical experience, the men of the hour flew their dates on gossamer wings to MBA's Brownlee

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Nicaragua: Country of Controversy

By THOMAS HSEUH

Recently, the House of Representatives twice rejected the President's request for \$14 million in aid to the anti-Sandinista rebels, or *Contras*. The senate approved the same request only after Mr. Reagan promised to use the money to supply food and clothing instead of arms.

House Speaker Tip O'Neill's solution is typical of the wrist slapping approach to communist expansion. He is disappointed at the Nicaraguan leader Daniel Ortega's new request for economic aid from Moscow: Ortega had been making peace overtures at Reagan. Nevertheless, Tip O'Neill supports the President's new plan to put economic pressure on Nicaragua. He and other democrats are preventing the President from dealing effectively with communism in Central America.

Nicaragua is definitely a major influence on Salvadoran rebels. Some say that Nicaragua's exporting revolution has not been proven. But it cannot be a mere coincidence that after the Sandinistas gained power in Nicaragua, communist guerrillas have become more powerful in El Salvador. Furthermore, a burgeoning rebellion in Guatemala, which is not adjacent to Nicaragua, seems to have sputtered out. If one of the lessons of Viet Nam is that America should not become involved in another country's civil war, then another lesson is that the covert transport of supplies to guerrillas is easier than many people think.

Even if Nicaragua is not fomenting war in El Salvador, it still represents a conventional military threat to neighboring countries. Nicaragua has Soviet made T-55 battle tanks with 100mm guns.

Letter To The Editor

In recent years on the Hill, I have noticed attitudes getting worse and worse, my own included. Granted, the conditions for the students at this school are not ideal for everyone, but the administration is making some effort to improve the school. Students these days seem to overlook or just not appreciate what has been improved upon, such as the Roberts Room, the new gym and locker rooms, the Massey Building, the new athletic complex, and the new parking lot. All of these improvements, brought about by the present administration, have helped to improve the school. I feel that in order for the students to seek changes in the existing system, we must take a positive attitude toward the school and all of its benefits. Perhaps if we are positive about our approach to the administration then our flaws can be ironed out, such as problems in the demerit system, assemblies, the 8th period, and the problem many students have complained about of the administration refusing to consider certain proposals. With a positive attitude, we can all make MIA an enjoyable experience and also get more cooperation from the administration.

David F. Wood

Even though these tanks are obsolete, they can be used to overpower other Central American nations, of which Guatemala is the only one possessing tanks. Connecting Nicaragua, Honduras, and El Salvador is a strip of flat land perfect for armored operations. Just as important is the introduction of the Soviet Mi-24/Hind gunship helicopter. This modern chopper can carry not only rockets and missiles but also a squad of soldiers.

A few years ago, a government made educational film in Guatemala described the communist take-over in Nicaragua as an attempt to cut off South America from North America. Only one highway connects Mexico with Colombia. This highway is a vital

thoroughfare in El Salvador, but not in Honduras. And then Managua is just 550 miles from the Panama Canal, so vital to our navy. By treaty, the U.S. has the right to intervene militarily after the year 2000 if the canal is threatened, but by then it may be too late.

It is not altogether apparent what we would gain from overthrowing the Sandinistas. But Mr. Reagan is correct when he claims that former supporters of the dictator Somoza would not return to power. The objective is to establish a moderate government that would be more in line with American interests. In a discussion last year on covert wars, William Colby, a former CIA director, pointed out that in the Congo in the early 1960's, the issue was

whether the newly independent country would be ruled by "some toadies of the old Belgian mining companies" or by communists. The CIA, he says, helped find a moderate alternative—Joseph

Mobutu. Likewise, the United States should help overthrow the Sandinistas so that a moderate leader, more suitable to U.S. interests, can lead the Nicaraguan people.

On Ethiopia

By SCOTT BENNETT

Few people in this world are unaware of the plight faced by the Ethiopian people. Thousands die the slow death of hunger. Tens of thousands flee the country to neighboring states, causing socially a political disturbance wherever they go.

This problem has not gone unnoticed. The West has sent millions in relief aid. No, the problem is not

unnoticed, just unsolved. The hunger is only a symptom of the root cause of Ethiopia's problem, and a doctor can't cure his patient by treating the symptoms alone.

Three major factors are at the heart of Ethiopia's famine. The first, and most threatening, is the country's enormous population growth. Ethiopia has a growth rate of 3% per year. This means *not only* more mouths to feed, but also less land to use as farmland.

The second major factor contributing to Ethiopia's decay is its agricultural problems. Food production in Ethiopia is falling by 2% per year. So, not only are there 3% more people to feed per year, there is also 2% less grain to go around. The third and final cause of the famine in Ethiopia is the erosion of croplands. The nation is just now feeling the effects of a devastating civil war that has left once fertile lands open, burnt, barren, and eroded. All this damage is being done in a country that only has 12% of its land usable as farmland anyway.

What can be done, then? If the current situation continues, Ethiopia will become permanently dependent on Western grain. Change *must* come, but it cannot come through the Ethiopians. The West must help Ethiopia to help itself.

First, the short-term needs of the starving people must be met. The West should send as much grain as could possibly be needed over a brief 30 day period.

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Reagan and Bitburg

By CHARLIE REASOR

On May 5, 1985, President Reagan differentiated his administration from those feeble ones of the past: he visited the Bitburg war cemetery. He had been asked in private by a tearful Helmut Kohl, Chancellor of West Germany, to visit a German war cemetery during the upcoming summit of the Western Alliance. Reagan consented to go. Shortly before the summit, the primary spokesman for the opponents of the visit to Bitburg, Elie Weisel, strongly suggested Reagan not make the visit; rather, he would visit a concentration camp in Germany. Weisel, and many other survivors of the holocaust, hold the view that the suffering of the Jews in the holocaust must not be forgotten. Certainly, one can understand why he wants to do everything within his power to prevent such an atrocity from reoccurring. Weisel hopes to achieve the prevention by remembrance—Germans, on the other

hand, want to forget the moment of greatest evil in their history.

Ronald Reagan faced a difficult position: visit the cemetery as he had promised as a gesture of reconciliation or refuse to visit Bitburg in order to appease quibblers at home. The purpose of the trip was, in short, to strengthen the Western alliance and while in Germany to give Reagan an opportunity to make the longtime isolated Germans feel welcome in the alliance—in one way by visiting a war cemetery. Reagan would not at all be condoning war criminal acts—that issue was settled at Nuremberg. In a recent poll, 80 percent of the Germans asked were in favor of the visit to the cemetery. This figure is remarkable for a country which, like France, has a strongly growing left wing which opposes virtually everything the establishment seeks to do. It was an opportune moment for Reagan, now having large world appeal, to forgive and unify. Reagan also con-

sented to visit Bergen-Belsen, a concentration camp where 50,000 Jews died.

In no way should one caustically try to forget the holocaust. One should implore Mr. Reagan when he next visits Germany to seize the opportunity to visit one of the sites there, in remembrance of the holocaust. Those who reacted by wanting Reagan to visit only the concentration camp merely to appease factions at home and offend allies recall to memory a decade in which the Nixon-Ford-Carter Administrations managed to offend friend and foe at home and abroad.

Since the purpose of the trip was to reconcile with the German populace, why would Reagan visit a monument (Bergen-Belsen) reminding his hosts of their former criminal acts? Certainly, remembering the losses of both sides is important, but to visit the death-place of thousands at the hands of the host is inappropriate in matters of

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Paris, Chateaux, Province, and the "Sip"

By CARTER BROTHERS

From March 9 to March 17, a highly elite corps of MBA students, teachers, husbands, and one mother experienced the foreign culture of no, not "Lauderdale!" but the beautiful country of France.

Departing the first Saturday of Spring Break, the excited travelers embarked from sunny Atlanta around noon, and arrived in foggy Brussels the next day. Due to extreme jet-lag, the fatigued voyagers straggled through Brussels airport until bumping into ACIS courier Alex Hughes. Hooking up with a smaller group from Connecticut, we left Brussels and headed for Paris, and a run-in with fate at the Sip Babylone Restaurant.

Arriving in Paris that afternoon, our adult chaperones immediately returned to his or her better-known identities. Dr. Gaffney led a group through a Roman exhibition while Mr. Womack took another group to the Rodin Museum. A small group of adventuresome students decided to see Paris without a guide while gaining knowledge of how to use the Paris Metro.

Unfortunately, our tour group's first experience with the French

cuisine was at the Sip Babylone restaurant, apparently known for serving one kind of meat.

For our evening entertainment, Alex headed a large expedition into the forbidden land of Paigalle. With eyes aglow yet our stomachs repulsed, we escaped the red-light district and headed up to the magnificent Sacre Coeur. Jumping the metro turnstiles once more, we headed back to our hotel utterly exhausted.

Bright and early the next morning, we learned the real reason Europeans never shower; no hot water! We also encountered the first of countless thousands of continental breakfasts. Morning was spent on a tour of Paris and the Louvre with our tour guide Chantal, ...hein? Afternoon was free until our scheduled dining pleasure again at the Sip Babylone. Enjoying (somewhat) their famous veal/chicken for dinner, we left "The Sip" and headed toward the Seine River for an evening ride on a Bateau Mouche.

The following morning, we said "au revoir" to Paris and "bonjour" to a bus ride through the Loire Valley, also known as

Chateaux Country. Our first stop was Chartres, followed by Blois, Amboise, and Chenonceau. An evening in tours was spent at a French disco.

After another continental breakfast, we took a tour and test sampling of the Vouvray wine caves. Heading back for Paris, the rest of the morning was passed touring the wonderful, but huge, grounds of Versailles and being harassed by Algerian merchants. Returning for dinner once more to the Sip Babylone, the group met with tragedy. Our spiritual leader, Mrs. "Mamma" Hollins, fell down a flight of steps and broke her leg. After she was taken to the hospital and calm was restored, we headed to a Paris train station for our "overnight train with couchettes provided."

Too early the next morning, we got off the train and recuperated on the bus to Avignon from what the group agreed was the low point of the trip. After a whirlwind external tour of the Chateau du Pape, we continued on to Pont du Gard and a wine sampling at Chateaufort du Pape. Back on the bus, we headed toward Arles, where not everyone

shared Dr. Gaffney's desire to see old Roman ruins. Following dinner in Nimes, our free evening was used recovering from the most hectic day of the trip.

A morning sightseeing tour of Nimes proved one of the most enjoyable parts of the trip. Gorgeous warm weather brightened the beauty of "La Jardin de la Fontaine" and La Tour Magne. In Orange, we not only toured the best preserved Roman Theatre but also were treated to a marvelous musical performance by "Ex-Eagle" Clay Lutz. Tension filled the air as the bus neared Lyon and our promised "right of gastronomic delights." Although their comprehension of the English language was shaky, the chefs at Le Frantel, our hotel, definitely understood the art of cooking. For our evening pleasure, we enjoyed the pleasures of the best of all the hotels in which we stayed.

A morning ride on the Tres Grande Vitesse (TGV) brought us back to Paris and Mr. and Mrs. Hollins. Everyone used the free afternoon either buying gifts and mementos or visiting more Paris monuments and famous sites. Dinner, to everyone's relief, was not at the Sip Babylone. After dinner a large portion of the MBA group traveled to the top of the Eiffel Tower and witnessed the beauty of Paris by night. Unfortunately, on our return to the hotel, a small portion of MBA students got separated from the chaperones but luckily found shelter at a disco across town. Already disturbed by their separation from our leaders, the poor students were shocked to find the metro closed after midnight and were forced to walk back to the hotel.

Bidding farewell to Paris and France, we returned to the "Home of the French Fries" on our transatlantic flight home. After a flight

from New York to Atlanta, we crawled to our terminal and boarded our flight to Nashville. With family and friends on hand at the airport to carry us to our cars, we said goodbye to our fellow voyagers and told each other we would see each other at school tomorrow.

On Ethiopia . . .

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Second, the government of Ethiopia should be required to take steps to curb its population growth, increase crop production, and arrest the decay of farmland before the West sends any further grain supplies. These steps taken by the Ethiopian government can be minor, but it is important that they be made to insure the long-term needs of all Ethiopians.

The West should continue to supply grain to Ethiopia as long as necessary and only as long as the Ethiopians are taking steps to insure their own survival.

Perhaps this may be viewed as economic blackmail, but one should remember that eventually, the West may grow tired of supporting Ethiopia unless they soon find a way to help themselves. In the 1970's India was in a similar famine situation before a similar plan was implemented. Now, in 1985, India is a major supplier of grain to the Soviet Union.

Before starting on a journey, it's a good idea to know where you're going. Yet we in the West have not done that. We don't know where we are going in Ethiopia because we are still treating the results of the famine instead of trying to stamp out the famine itself.

MBA Speleophiles Love Mammoth Cave

By SCOTT PEARSON

Some people are afraid of the dark. Some people are terrified by Mammoth Cave. Speleophiles are never happier than when in a cool, dark cave, and on Sunday, April 12, the doughty MBA Outing Club cavers were in heaven. The reputation of Sewanee's Wet Cave had preceded it, and Outing Club coach Womack could only find three adventurers with enough courage to dare these narrow, twisting, and muddy passages: Scott Pearson, Kenji "I'm claustrophobic" Kono, and alumnus Charles Cox.

After the brief drive from Nashville, the four spirited

spelunkers plunged into the icy stream which ran throughout the mile long cave. After wading through the stream and climbing over several treacherous areas where the roof had fallen in, the hardy band reached the heart of the cave. They wiggled through the 18 inch diameter Berth Canal and emerged in the infamous Mud Room. The group managed to struggle through the thigh-deep mud but not before Pearson took a belly flop in the slime which also sucked his shoes from his feet. Somewhat relieved to have escaped the mire, the courageous cavers belly-crawled for 40 feet through an

18 inch crack to reach the Frozen Waterfall, an eight-foot high and sixty-foot long mud flow which has solidified over the years. After examining this wonder, the spunky spelunkers worked their way back over the treacherous route, which they facilitated by crawling through a three-foot high tunnel filled with the fast moving stream. Despite their weariness as they stumbled out into the warm daylight, the speleophiles were thankful for the opportunity to test themselves and the depths.

The Class of 1985's College Choices

Compiled by KENNY RUSSELL

Auburn Jimmy Armstead Arthur Bond Rob Hendrick Harry Peffen Steve Stroman Greg Walker Hunt Warner Frank Wilk	Sewanee Richard Baughman Robert Black Kort Classen Rob Harwell	Ga. Tech Kyle Hardin Henry Trost	Grinnell Alex Davis
UNC Bill Bainbridge David Chickey Scott Garfinkle John Robbins	Richmond David Muddiman Ben Vance	Trinity Bobby Frist Jeff McLaren	Wheaton Scott Thompson
Vanderbilt Rob Alley Scott Carey John Enkema Sam Graber Clay Lutz Trey Owen David Smith Walter Smithwick	Alabama Tom Brothers Edward Caldwell Rusty Hippe	UVA Jeff Dukes Buzz Frahn	Kenyon Andy Wattleworth
SMU Hal Andrews Jack Brown Ken Larish Chris Smith Mike Wood	UT Bruce Francis Brad Mangrum Steve Young	Wake Forest Paul Bond Bobby Reeves	St. Andrews-Scotland James Forsyth
Duke Grey Petznick Pat Rau Steve Rollins John Tate	Denison Robin Henderson Dawson Thombs	Rice Jonathon Springer Chris Zanone	Tennessee Tech Roger Boyers
	Georgetown John Bauman Tommy Outlaw	Baylor Harry Payne	TCU David Coleman
	Davidson Mac Hardcastle	Cambell Paul Richards	Univ. of Cincinnati Richard Todd
		Centre Jay Brothers	Univ. of Colorado Rob Briley
			VPI Stephen Jones
			Univ. of Penn. Steve Saperstein
			Washington Univ. Fred Joseph Golder

FCA Has A Successful Year

By JONATHAN COLE
and SCOTT THOMPSON

On Thursday nights, athletes representing almost every sport at MBA gather to enjoy and share their Christian faith. This year the Fellowship of Christian Athletes began with a tremendously successful organizational meeting at Bill Cochran's house in which the group of fifty ate, planned, and played "frisbee football" at Percy Warner park.

The success carried on into the regular meetings, which attracted many different people from the student body because of a relaxed atmosphere in which anyone could freely express their views. The exciting and diverse meetings included a joint meeting with Harpeth Hall's Christian Fellowship on November 10th to hear Scott Roley sing, different discussions based on the scriptures about the prodigal son, David and Goliath, and the letters to Timothy from Paul; discussions on Christian and rock music and their effect on us; speakers such as Doug Pollack and the talented

singer/speaker Joe Bias.

Before most meetings, the fellowship ate together and throughout the year enjoyed some "recreation nights." One of the most significant accomplishments of the fellowship was the beginning of a prayer list and the open prayers at the start and conclusion of each meeting. Through the leadership of Scott Thompson, Steve Stroman, David Smith, Bill Cochran, and Coach Mark Elliot as sponsor, the FCA grew in members, and the members grew spiritually. President Scott Thompson expressed his satisfaction with the year by saying that the group was "literally a 'fellowship' of Christian athletes instead of just a 'group' of Christian athletes."

With the election of new officers (Bill Cochran, president; Jay Owen, vice-president; Brad Fuson, secretary; Johnny Thompson, treasurer), FCA hopes to grow and improve even more to continue the success of this year.

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The First College Trip of Its Kind

By WILLIE LIN

Over spring break, thirteen juniors spent six days of their holiday touring New England colleges and universities. They were accompanied by Mr. Ridley Wills, II, who made the trip possible by agreeing to chaperone the students. This college trip was the first ever of its kind in MBA's history.

The group left Nashville Saturday morning, March 9, and spent the better part of the day in flight. After landing in Boston sometime in the afternoon, the group checked in at a motel near the Harvard campus.

The next day was spent on a guided tour of Boston. On the bus tour, sights such as Boston College, Boston University, and Tufts University were seen. Each institution was already closed for spring vacation, but this did not prevent wandering around a little on each campus. The bus stopped next at the impressive J.F.K. Memorial Library, where a film was shown about Kennedy and the group visited the museum which contained relics of Kennedy's life.

A walking tour of Boston was also taken. This included modern sights such as the John Hancock Observatory Tower and historic sights such as Beacon Hill and the U.S.S. Constitution. The walking tour ended at Quincy Market.

On Monday, the group began its serious examination of colleges. At Harvard, the group attended an open class and took a tour of the campus. At MIT, the members of the tour met Mabo Kerro (Class of '82), who accompanied them on a tour of MIT.

Afterwards, the group left the hotel and headed for Providence, Rhode Island. The next morning found the tourists on the dreary Brown Campus where they were met by Kent Rollins (Class of '83) and Ran Van Riper (class of '84). Kent and Ran gave a quick tour of the campus and answered questions at an informal session.

The group left Brown and then journeyed into Connecticut. The first stop was at the Mystic Seaport Museum, where fried oysters and whaling ships were enjoyed. The next stop was at Connecticut Col-

lege, which was on spring vacation; nevertheless, the campus was toured by bus. At Trinity College, night life at a college campus was experienced by spending the night with some of the Trinity students in their dorms. The next day, Wednesday morning, the campus was toured and the usual group session was attended. About mid-morning, the group left for Wesleyan. After the information session and tour, the members of the group left knowing they would never want to go back. They arrived at Yale sometime in the early afternoon. At Yale's Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library, the group was in awe of the translucent marble of which the building was made. There was seen an original Gutenberg Bible.

The group then headed into New Jersey, arriving at Princeton early in the evening. By chance, the group met Sam Chang (Class of '84) who accompanied them on the tour the next day. Some people made arrangements to stay on campus while others contented themselves by sleeping at a near-by motel.

Tuesday morning, the last day of the trip, saw the group on a tour of Princeton's impressive campus. They took leave of Princeton after lunch and arrived at the University of Pennsylvania more than one hour later. While leaving the bus, the group ran into Matt Dolloff (Class of '84). After the tour, two more MBA graduates were seen. Matt Cassell (Class of '81) and John Ripe (Class of '83) were at the information session to answer any questions on Penn. After visiting Penn, the group left for the airport and took a somewhat uneven flight home.



France trip survivor Mrs. Hollins surrounded by her French friends

Language Contests

By MICHAEL STARR

Once again the MBA students fared well in both the French and Spanish contests. The French Contest is sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of French and is divided into three categories: state, region, and nation. In the state section, Chad Enders placed 2nd, David Chen placed 5th, and Charles Hewley and Charlie Hailey placed 6th in level 01. In level 1, Rob Ludwick placed first, and Steve Job placed 3rd. In level 2, Kenji Kono and Beau Wilson placed 5th, while John Joe placed 6th, and Bill Penuel placed 7th. In level 3, John Bauman placed first.

In the region, which includes eight states, Chad Enders placed 6th for level 01. Kenji Kono and Beau Wilson tied for 6th, and John Joe placed 7th in level 2. John

Bauman placed 4th for level III. In the nation, John Bauman placed 5th out of 72,000 entries.

The National Spanish Contest is sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese, and the MBA boys so far have placed in two of the three categories.

In the region (Middle Tennessee only), Brian Hassler placed first for Spanish I, John Mahoney placed 3rd in Spanish II, and Ronnie Po and Sean Curry tied for 1st in Spanish III. Pat Bowers also came in 3rd in the region for Spanish III.

In the state, which includes 1,000 students, Brian Hassler placed 2nd for Spanish I, and Sean Curry and Ronnie Po tied for 3rd in Spanish III. All of these students are to be congratulated for their impressive showings.

NC-VA College Trip

By JOSH EASTER

Foregoing the women, beaches, and other extracurricular "activities" in Florida, twenty-eight juniors and two chaperones, Mr. White and Mr. West, visited ten colleges and universities in North Carolina and Virginia during Spring Break. Although not very exciting, the trip did provide these juniors with much information about colleges that they might attend.

The group of 30 left on Monday, March 11, at 6:00 am and arrived at Davidson College in Davidson, NC at about 4:00 pm. At Davidson, the group was led by Hartley Hall, a 1981 MBA grad. This tour provided the students with information about Davidson's academic standards and campus life. After eating on campus and having a little free time, the group departed for Winston-Salem, NC. Upon arrival thirty minutes later, the group dragged out of the bus, and most decided to get some rest for the next day.

On Tuesday, the group visited three more colleges: Wake Forest, Guilford, and North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Wake Forest was very beautiful and was well-received by the group but unfortunately was on spring break. Thirty-five minutes after departing from Wake Forest, the group arrived at Guilford College. The MBA students, in general, were not impressed with this quaker college and soon became disinterested with the tour. The group then boarded the bus and traveled to UNC in Chapel Hill. UNC was liked by all, and the group regretted that they had to leave so soon. An hour later, the group arrived at their hotel in Raleigh and spent the remainder of the night in the swimming pool.

Wednesday rolled around and the first stop was at North Carolina State. The group of MBA students did not particularly like this school either. The group then journeyed to Durham, NC, home of Duke University. Duke provides well-rounded academics and athletics as

well as a beautiful campus. The group as a whole was impressed with Duke. The group then crossed the border into Virginia and arrived at Richmond at about 6:00 pm. Having a free night, the boys took it easy, called home and/or their girlfriends, and had interesting conversations with some members of an all black choral group from Alabama.

On Thursday, the group awoke early and arrived at the University of Richmond at 8:00 am. The campus was beautiful, but like Wake Forest, the students were on spring break; thus, the campus was somewhat lifeless. The group left and after a stop at Monticello traveled to the University of Virginia. After a meeting and a short tour of the small but beautiful campus, the group left UVA and went to Washington and Lee. There, the boys ate and either set out alone or talked to Gil Lackey, a 1984 MBA graduate. At 8:00 pm, the guys went to their hotel down the road in Lexington.

The last day of the trip began with a guided tour of Washington and Lee. After departing from W and L, the group then went to Virginia Tech (a.k.a. VPI) and had a short meeting and tour of the huge campus. The group then started back for Music City, and after dinner in Knoxville, arrived in Nashville.

Quiz Bowl Remains Among The Best

By SCOTT PEARSON

The 1985 MBA Quiz Bowl team continued its tradition of excellence despite losing all-city intellects Ran van Riper and Tony Rafolowski. The team has rebuilt itself with a mixture of returning veterans and new recruits to remain among the top four teams in the region. A quiz bowl match consists of twenty toss up and bonus questions worth up to thirty points. The team that answers the toss up question then has thirty

seconds to answer the bonus.

The first tournament of the year took place at Hillwood. The team of Scott Pearson, Willie Lin, Rob Page, Joe Rich, Charlie Reaser, Jeff Dukes, and Harris Gilbert dominated the first eight rounds of preliminary competition, beating Harpheth Hall by 200 points and Overtown by an unheard of 420 points as they rolled up a 2000 point total and a first place ranking. The team could not maintain this torrid pace into the semi-final rounds

the system, and we are meeting on a more regular basis than last year."

Among the successes of this year's council was making the MBA presence felt in the community. As a result of Student Council initiative, MBA students have aided the American Health Association, collected food for the Second Harvest Food Bank, and tutored Haitians. In a letter to the *Nashville Banner*, one woman expressed her appreciation for MBA's involvement in the soup kitchen at Holy Name Catholic Church.

In representing the student body to the administration, Mac sums

however, and ended up a disappointing fourth out of the 16 teams entered.

Next, the team traveled to the Tennessee State University Tournament, but due to the lack of organization of this tournament, the team failed to reach the semi-finals and finished fifth out of the twenty mid-state teams. Next year, the team will return everyone and hopes to attend more tournaments and have a better season.

up the council's success: "I've run out of things to complain about... well, almost." In his last days as Student Council president, Mac plans to submit a list of his final complaints—some of which he has deliberately saved until the end of the year—to the administration and to the student council.

He adds, however, "The administration and Dr. Crowell have been very helpful—they have been concerned, they have listened to us, and they have helped us express our opinions."

So what's in store for next year? Well, don't expect drastic changes. Robbie Bueno, newly elected president of the upcoming senior class and successor to Mac, plans to continue the programs initiated this year, hopefully with more direct student involvement rather than just members of the student council. One of Robbie's primary goals is to express the importance of the senior class in the MBA community. "As class president, I would like to emphasize senior leadership in all areas of school life." "We basically continue this year's programs. The council will meet with the administration this summer to decide on specific programs or changes."

Old and New: An Interview With Student Council Presidents

By RONNIE PO

If the primary purpose of the Student Council is to represent the student body in the school and in the community, then this year has been an all-around success for the council.

At least, no one is complaining. Mac Hardcastle, president of the Student Council, has indicated that the primary accomplishments of this year's council were to straighten out and expand the projects of the previous Student Council and to involve MBA more and more in community activities. "I think we've weeded out the kinks in

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Dedication and Organization

By SCOTT BENNETT

While most students were recuperating the weekend after exams, the staunch members of the debate team were busy helping run MBA's own debate tournament, the Southern Bell Forum. The SBF has its origins in the hard work of former debate coach Thomas E. Sullivan. This year, Mr. Billy Tate continued the tradition of excellence characteristic of the SBF with his dedication and expert organization.

This year's SBF, the largest thus far, hosted sixty-three debate teams from over fifty schools. Schools from Tennessee, such as Hillsboro, Overton, and BGA, and from fourteen other states came to debate on MBA's campus. Schools which

came the farthest were Bronx Science from New York, Lexington High School from Massachusetts, and three schools from Wisconsin.

The school which ultimately claimed the laurels of victory, however, was a school from the South, Pace Academy of Atlanta which defeated Valley High School of Des Moines in the final round. These two schools qualified themselves for the prestigious Tournament of Champions, sponsored by the University of Kentucky. The two other schools qualifying for this tournament were St. Mark's of Dallas and Caddo Magnet of Shreveport, Louisiana. Both had lost in semifinal rounds.

One of the major factors contributing to the success of the SBF must certainly be the devotion and

hard work of members of MBA's debate team, their parents, and other MBA student volunteers. Parents not only provided housing for those who wanted it but also contributed their time by coming to the tournament to prepare and serve food. MBA's debater's helped run the SBF by running and sorting ballots, keeping time in debate rounds, and cleaning up after rounds. Members of the Big Red Club and the student council also contributed their time by engaging themselves in pre-tournament preparations and by guiding and greeting people.

In spite of the snow, which suddenly blanketed the campus during the tournament, the SBF was still well-run. Although the tournament ended up being two hours behind schedule because of the snow, according to Mr. Tate, "People thought the tournament was very successful, and most said they would come back next year."

Most Top-Place Winners in Math at MBA

By BOBBY CRANTS

A number of MBA students participated in the 29th Annual T.M.T.A. mathematics contest on March 28th of this year. This test consists of 40 problems, which are scored by multiplying the number of problems right by 4, subtracting the number wrong, and adding 40. The MBA students took the test at David Lipscomb and competed against other schools from Nashville including Overton, Antioch, David Lipscomb, Hillwood, Dupont, and St. Bernards. As expected, MBA dominated their district, taking first place in three divisions.

In the Advanced Topics division, or calculus, Chris Zanone placed 1st with 115, Vivek Sahota 2nd place with 109, Jonathon Springer 4th with 96, Greg Walker 5th with 87, and Doug Johnson and John Tate 9th and 10th respectively. In this division all MBA competitors placed within the top 10. In the Comprehensive division, Math IV, Bob-

by Crants placed 2nd with a score of 172, losing only to a near perfect score of 191 by Overton's Brian Weaver. Morgan Wills placed 4th with 146, Willie Lin placed 6th, and surprise participant Fred Jenkins placed in tie for 8th. In the Algebra II division, Kyle Rodgers placed first with a score of 154, Clark Geddie placed 3rd with 138, and Kenji Kono placed 5th. In the Geometry division, traditionally one of the toughest, David Chen scored an excellent 142, easily outdistancing the 2nd place competitor.

MBA students received far more places than any other school in this division, and these place-winners will now advance to the mid-state and later to the state division. Last year only Bobby Crants was able to advance and place in the state, but this year MBA has high hopes for Bobby Crants, David Chen, Kyle Rodgers, and Chris Zanone, to compete, if not place in the state.

Studying Abroad. . .

Claiborne Gayden has been chosen by Educational Foundation for Foreign Study to participate in the High School Year in Europe program. Selection for this challenging adventure was based on both academic standing and personal qualifications. After attending a three-week language camp, Claiborne will spend ten months living with a French family and studying at a local high school. Claiborne is looking forward to the challenge of learning European perspectives on current issues as well as exploring the vast history of France. From visits to stunning cathedrals and the French Riviera to watching "boule," the national sport; or sharing espresso with friends at a street-side cafe, Claiborne will be discovering a different style of life from an "insider's" point of view.

Claiborne's host family will also be gaining new perspectives and insights into American ways during his ten-month stay. Daily interactions will open their eyes to "new ways of looking at things."

American families also have the chance to discover another culture on a first-hand basis. In mid-

August, European teenagers participating in the EFES High School Year in Europe program arrive for their ten-month stay, living with families and attending high schools in communities like ours across the United States. The opportunity to host an exchange student is open to residents of the Nashville area. Please call now for more information, Carolyn Trost at (615) 352-1596.

Record-Setting Father-Son Banquet

By JAY RIVEN

If there ever had to be a time for a record-breaking attendance at MBA's annual Father/Son Banquet, the 1985 banquet was definitely it.

After being catered by Lee's Famous Recipe, 550 fathers, sons, faculty, and guests directed their attention to Mr. Buddy Francis, this year's president of the Father's

By CARTER BROTHERS

Just what is Young Life? We hear it announced every Monday in Assembly, but we are never told what it is, only where it is. Young

Club. He announced that Mr. Jack Farrar would be the next president. Mr. Herbert Kneeland vice-president, Mr. John Link secretary-treasurer, and Mr. Emmett Russell head of concessions with Mr. Steve Wood as his assistant. After the chorus presented some selections and Mrs. Virginia Hollins and Mr. Jim Poston received this year's prestigious Father's Club Faculty Award, Mr. Francis proceeded to introduce the speaker, Mr. Tandy Rice.

No doubt, hearing Mr. Rice speak was quite an experience for all who attended that night. He remarked upon his background, his experiences in country music, and some of his famous friends. Even though he constantly addressed the students, all who had the pleasure to listen to him learned from his "keys to a successful life" with which he closed his talk. "Be polite, always hustle; live for today; be yourself."

Life is a chance for seniors down to freshmen to discuss in a Christian community the problems facing youth today. Well now you know the purpose, but what happens at Young Life? Club begins at 7:30 when the group sponsors lead the crowd in a round of songs. Singing is usually followed by a short skit or activity involving two or more people in the audience. The skit or activity focuses on building relationships between two or more people and teaches us how to relate with other people we may not know. After the skit comes the main talk during which one of the leaders incorporates a common modern day occurrence with the teachings of the Bible. The talk is focused at our age

group and often hits home with many people. The club disbands at 9:00.

Well, now I've covered a basic Club, but Young Life is still much more. Every winter for Christmas vacation, a large number of Young Life members go to a ski retreat in Monarch, Colorado. Young Life is also the home of the annual Krispy Kreme Olympics. Also, every summer Young Life sponsors a camp called Windy Gap in the Blue Ridge Mountain Range of North Carolina. All Young Life related activities promote new friendships and inner growth to help young people cope with the joys and troubles of young life.

There's Much to Offer in Young Life

Service Club: Magnanimous

By CHRIS SANDERS

This year the Service Club enjoyed incredible success under the leadership of President Harry Peffen. Two of the greatest accomplishments of the club this year were the raising of over \$200 for the Children's Hospital on Palm Sunday and helping TOOT (Taste of the Town) at the Belle Meade Mansion. Aside from activities off-campus, the MBA Service Club devoted itself to many services here on the hill. The Service Club was responsible for ushering at football games and cleaning up the gym after the spaghetti supper and after basketball games (a task not to be taken lightly). According to Mr.

Bennett, the Service Club's sponsor, "this year's Service Club did the best job after the basketball games of any I have seen." Once again, the Service Club fulfilled its responsibility to the school in a magnanimous fashion.



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diplomacy. Similarly, if Reagan were visiting Israel, it would be inappropriate to visit sites of Israeli massacres in Lebanon. When in a foreign country, to establish good relations with the people, a head of state must not openly acknowledge past crimes of the host; it defeats the purpose of the trip.

In no way should one caustically try to forget the holocaust. One

should implore Mr. Reagan when he next visits Germany to seize the opportunity to visit one of the sites there, in remembrance of the holocaust. Those who reacted by wanting Reagan to visit only the concentration camp merely to appease factions at home and offend allies recall to memory a decade in which the Nixon-Ford-Carter Administrations managed to offend friend and foe at home and abroad.

P.M. Estes. . .

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Mr. Estes, Jr., the actual donor of the awards funding, is a graduate of the Duncan School and received his law training at Vanderbilt. He served as an associate to the legal council for Life and Casualty from 1936-1942, at which time he entered the army. He entered as a private and left in 1946 as a major. Since

his military career, he has spent some time on the Board of Directors of L&C before retiring in 1972.

All of the loose details such as the amount, the criteria, and the selection will be resolved by the spring when the first eight P.M. Estes Memorial awards will be given.



Louis Graber's sculpture: Flight

Art: Emerging From The Cracks

By BRYAN DONNELL

When asked about the status of the art program at MBA, art teacher Jim Womack responded that art is "still pretty much in the cracks between everything else."

Under Mr. Womack, however, the art program has been rapidly emerging from the "cracks." In recent years, MBA's art shows, which have included works by Paul Harmon, Charles Frace, and inmates of the State Penitentiary, among others, have been gaining recognition and comment outside the school, and have indeed had a city-wide appeal. Of particular import was the prison art show, which presented a different image of the prisoners, broke down stereotypes, and inspired thought in areas into which many of us rarely venture.

Art has also been gaining momentum among students. Art History AP classes this year had a

total enrollment of nineteen, the largest number ever at MBA and perhaps now among the largest number of Art History students at one school in the state. Students have become increasingly involved with studio art with different levels of commitment: some with a burning, driving passion, others with just a true enjoyment. Art has grown more and more popular as a place for students even without a great deal of artistic "talent" to express themselves.

Nevertheless, Mr. Womack is eager to see the art program expand. Most people, he believes, are unaware of the pleasure and potential benefits of art. By allowing us to express ourselves, art helps us to find our interests and define ourselves, and is thus much more than an entertaining hobby. He has three specific goals for all art students: to help them find their

own interests, to help them discover their own goals, and to allow them the space to "do their own thing," while he merely serves as a guide. He would also like to breakdown the mentality that art must be great when finished, when it is the artistic process that matters.

In an attempt to enlighten people, therefore, Mr. Womack plans to redouble efforts to make the art program at MBA more visible, alive, and interesting. There will be emphasis placed on an informal Studio Art AP class, which will involve more commitment and activity for those desiring such a course. There will also be emphasis on critiquing other artists' works in order to help spark new ideas. The main focus, though, as always, will be on working with anyone who is willing to put forth effort in any medium and helping him to bring his efforts to fruition.

Grandma Moses At Cheekwood

By BARNEY LAMS

The Grandma Moses exhibition at Cheekwood ending May 12, was interesting. This was a major exhibition for Cheekwood; Grandma Moses is not only a world famous painter but also a folk legend. This traveling exhibition, composed of 55 paintings, is the first exhibition of her works in the South and also the first exhibition showing the drawings of Grandma Moses.

Grandma Moses' maiden name was Anna Mary Robertson. She was born on a farm in New York in 1860. She was one of 10 children and her childhood, like the rest of her life, was a happy one. She and her husband set up a farm in Virginia and had ten children, five of whom died. It was not until 1927, with the death of her husband and the management of the farm by her youngest son, that Grandma Moses, as she was now called, had any free time.

She greatly admired modifying themes. Later she made up her own

compositions and took many of her figures from photographs. She liked (see illustration) incorporating them into the overall composition. In the illustration below one can see how she outlines what she considers important in the photograph so that movement of the figure and the harvester is expressed with great economy in paint. These figures are then perfectly integrated into the picture as a whole. The haystacks and harvester punctuate the field. The dark harvester links up with other dark objects tying in the field with the rest of the composition. In this picture distance is also well defined as the figures decrease in size as you look toward the horizon and distant hills.

The work of Grandma Moses, however, does vary. Some of the paintings show a lack of direct observation and a jumbled composition where she has inserted objects almost randomly. One is led to believe that she took her 'picture building' approach too far and that she was simply rearranging basic elements, figures, etc. in her pic-

tures. Her bad pictures are therefore repetitive. Her best pictures are abstractions—but abstractions of what she has observed first hand. Her self portrait, as well as the illustration described, is an example of genuine abstraction and in its simple contrast of pattern and bold shape it calls to mind some of the more sophisticated avant-garde artists of her time, such as Matisse especially.

I wonder how she would have painted if she had received lessons and started her artistic career earlier. I wonder how the public would have received an educated, young 'Grandma.' Much of the charm of Grandma Moses lies in her 101 years and her lectures on home made jam. Grandma Moses is a 'folk' painter and a legend. It is her optimism, her age, her creative energy at such an age, and her happy paintings that inspire all of us; not just the brush wielding senior citizens of the world.



Bryan Donnell's pastel: Portrait of A Man Hiding Behind A Tree



A painting of folk painter and legend Grandma Moses

Bell Ringer Review: Bull In A China Shop

By MICHAEL STARR

On May 19, 1985, the curtain opened to reveal *Bull in a China Shop*, the Harpeth Hall Spring Comedy. "Bull in a China Shop—what is it?" The questions rose from each prospective ticket buyer. "Well," stammered the cast member, "it's sort of comedy. It's about old ladies and death. But it's funny, I swear."

"Sure," replied the reluctant buyer, "But I'll buy a ticket anyway." And so the scenarios went.

It's true that *Bull in a China Shop* is not as well known as *The Matchmaker* or *Blithe Spirit*, but it was still a choice with its share of merit.

The plot was a blending of *Arsenic and Old Lace* and *Dragnet*, centering around a boarding house full of old ladies and two detectives. The old ladies are enamored with a middle-aged detective, Dennis

O'Finn, and to arouse his interest, they begin to kill each other off rather adeptly. Soon to become involved are Jane Rogers, a local reporter and O'Finn's wise-cracking, slightly more intelligent partner, Kramer. The plot rises to discover the murderess and ends with the murder of Miss Rogers.

The play presented many acting challenges to the actors involved. Carol Cavin, Mandy Hanes, Jill Blevins, Deborah Deckner, Kristin Breuss, and Nancy Tronsden had to mold their bodies and faces into those of 70 to 90 year old ladies. With creaking voices and realistic walks, they each accomplished their task with expert skill. Kristin Breuss did a remarkable job considering she stepped into the part of Miss Birdie only four days before the opening. The original Miss Birdie, Barbara Keith Brown, had contracted "mono" and found she

could not be in the performance. The entire cast was extremely sorry for Barbara's untimely illness and extremely grateful for Kristin's rapid line-learning!

The men in the cast had their share of challenges as well. As O'Finn, Michael Starr had to acquire a thick Irish accent and the fatigued stance of a 40 year old man. As Kramer, Don Fish worked to achieve the "twang" of the inner city New York accent desired for the role. Both men completed their tasks in a professional manner.

Other members of the cast that worked hard were David Wood as Johnson and Billy Carothers and John Mahoney as the stretcher bearers.

As a whole, the play was a success, and the audiences seemed pleased that they had come. Congratulations to all members of crew and cast for a job well done!!



Jim Gardner's painting: Espey Plantation House

The Best High School Show Of The Year!

By DON FISH

The weekend of March 20-22 found packed audiences at St. Cecilia for the production of the musical comedy *Bells Are Ringing*.

Set in New York City in the late '50's, *Bells* is the love story of a telephone answering service girl and a depressed, alcoholic playwright. Ella Peters (Maria Seigenthaler) finds happiness in cheering up the life of Jeff Moss (Don Fish) and setting him back on the path of writing a successful Broadway musical. In addition to saving the playwright from oblivion, Ella helps Dr. Kitchell (Jimbo Hunt) shed his demit image to pursue his long-awaited career in music writing and gives Blake Barton (Christopher Ptomey) advice on projecting a new image to increase his chances of being cast in a play. Under pressure from his boss (John Mahoney), Jeff completes his show *The Midas Touch* and somehow teams up with Kitchell and Barton to produce a smash hit. On the other side of the plot is the comically sinister Sandor (Mac Hardcastle) from Germany who dishonestly persuades the owner of Susanswerphone (Mia Figlio) to let him use her answering service to take horse bets illegally under the guise of classical music record orders.

Amidst all these characters are Inspector Barnes (Morgan Wills) and his partner Francis (Pat Bowers) of Vice Squad who are convinced that Ella is bringing more into her client's lives than merely telephone messages. When all the characters realize what Ella is really up to, the result is a funny and

rewarding climax.

Mixed in with this complicated plot was music from the '50's, period dancing, and a great deal of laughs. Other MBA students in the show included Ronnie Po as the flashy night club singer and Richard Speight as the acclaimed Broadway celebrity, Paul Arnold. Crucial to the orchestra was MBA's own drummer extraordinaire David Wood.

After over a month of strenuous and prolonged rehearsals, sometimes creeping into the early part of the following day, the St. Cecilia players opened to an enthusiastic crowd, and the finished product was immediately proclaimed "the best high school show of the year!" *Bells* was directed by professional actor and director Paul Klapper with musical direction by renowned virtuoso Patricia "Killer" Killough and choreography by Swan Lake veteran Rowena Soriano. Costumes of the time were handled by Mrs. Figlio and Mrs. Fox, and the stunning sets were designed and built by students from Vanderbilt University.

St. Cecilia is always eager for any MBA students to participate in their top quality productions. Most MBA students who give it a try once return for subsequent shows. Besides providing an excellent opportunity to meet some extraordinarily talented people, theater looks especially good on college transcripts. Be on the look out for audition notices at the start of school next fall for your chance to take the stage.

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General Public: All The Rage

By ROB HENDRICK

David Wakeling and Ranking Roger, formerly of the English Beat, head a new group, General Public. Their new album is ...all the rage.

The album starts out well with "Hot You're Cool," a cut that keeps all the instruments subtle and reflects the ideal of G.P. sound. Next, the radio hit "Tenderness" appears. Good, but not the best on the album. "Anxious" provides one of the best cuts on the album

with somewhat of a Naked Eyes sound to it. The next two songs, "Never You Done That" and "Burning Bright" are a poor ending for side one. The first has a good beat but a quaint keyboard inhibits its success. "Burning Bright" makes poor, vague political remarks and never realizes its culmination.

Side two begins with two poor songs, "As a Matter of Fact" and "Are You Leading Me On?" All that they have going for them is a

good Jamaican sound and beat. "Day to Day" provides a different up-beat tune that catches the ear. It's different without really being different. The next song, "Where's the Line," regains the subtlety of instruments but has no grab. Save the best for last, "General Public" is definitely the best. A lot of genuine hard work went into it and it clearly shows in the fullness of the music and vocals and the grabbing chorus and beat. If you want to get up and dance and can appreciate a good cut, buy it.

The Influence Of MTV. . .

By BEN VANCE

"It's really amazing," said Robert Plant in a recent interview, "how things turn out." He couldn't be more right. What started out as a friendly afternoon session for Plant and guitarists Jimmy Page and Jeff Beck quickly became a million selling album and #1 selling single.

The record, *Volume 1*, was originally a nostalgic recording of the famous blusemen's favorite old

big band songs from the days of Phil Phillips and his like. After his first pressing of 5,000 copies sold out in a week, the half-serious project suddenly turned real.

Eretgun, the chairman of Atlantic Records, pressed half a million, then a million, and so forth, and they sold and sold well. Astounded at the success of the Honeydrippers EP, he signed them up to record a full album. *Volume II* should be out in early '85.

The music itself is pure big-band,

a sound missing from America for a long time. It moves, fast and angry, in "Rockin' at Midnight" and moans, accented by Plant's mellow crooning, in "Sea of Love," a Phil Phillips original. Though it may grow redundant after a time and is only a stark shadow of the originals, the Honeydrippers have managed to bring back the feeling and flavor of the original. Jeff Beck really steals the limelight, proving himself one of the best and most innovative guitarists around.

Robert Plant Turns Up The Volume

By BEN VANCE

The influence of MTV and the success that it has had over television and the media is clear. Most commercials today look like music videos, but until just lately, there's never been a good TV show in that form.

Miami Vice on NBC is the best new cop show ever. How can you go wrong when the two main characters run around in a Ferrari,

wearing Giorgio Armani fashions in Miami? White blazers and t-shirts are in, and so is this show.

Action is the key. Whether its blowing some drug smuggler into the harbor with a large-caliber rifle or jumping in or out of the car (never open the door), these two detectives are on the move, and all the while, there's the music.

It fits perfectly. Current hit songs and these two guys, Crockett and Tubbs, making life hard for the dregs of society. It comes off look-

ine really sharp. And the plots are good too, not like other shows where every week it is the same murder, investigation, apprehending the criminal. On *Miami Vice*, we've got murder, drugs, smuggling, and any combination thereof. It's a lot like *Scarface* without the chainsaw.

True, it comes on Friday night, but if you have a VCR, learn to use it or stay home. This is too good to miss.

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Offensive soccer ball provokes Rob Elliot.

Soccer: A Victim of Bad Luck

By RICHARD BAUGHMAN

This year's MBA soccer team limped through a season of disappointment and ridiculously bad luck. The team lost five starters to injury during the course of the season. The Big Red soccer machine kicked off the season by playing possibly the worst game in the history of soccer, resulting in a 7-0 loss to top ranked Franklin High School. The team bounced back from the defeat by winning its next two games against Gallatin and Riverdale. After these two games, starting stopperback Robert Williamson broke his foot while chasing someone down his driveway, sidelining him for the rest of the season.

The team then departed for a week of training in Tampa, Florida. This trip was highly successful. The Big Red, competing against the best select teams in the area, produced scores of 2-1, 4-0, 7-0, and 10-0. The goalkeeper tandem of David Muddiman and Paul Lentz played

superbly, allowing only one goal in four games. Unfortunately, Fred Joseph Goldner, starting midfielder, broke his hand while playing in Florida, putting him out until the last game of the season. The high point of the trip came on the return leg. When these conquering heroes reached Valdosta, Georgia, an alert Paul Lentz asked, "Where's Muddiman?" As it turned out, David was several hundred miles away at the Bay Harbour Inn in Tampa, lounging by the pool contemplating the fact that he had been left by his coach and teammates.

After returning from Spring Break the team was inconsistent for the next four games, beating Overton and BGA and losing to Clarksville and Brentwood. The team then played superbly against McCallie but could only get a 1-1 draw out of it. During this game, Stephen Young broke his collarbone, putting him out for the remainder of the season. Although playing well, MBA lost its next two

games to Father Ryan and Hendersonville. The regular season ended with a 4-0 win over a weak Webb team. The final game of the season was a sub-state tournament game played against Murfreesboro Oakland. In the first half Fred Goldner, playing for the first time in 9 games, scored to give MBA a one goal lead. In the second half, Oakland scored on a controversial play tying the game at 1-1. Time ran out with the game tied sending it into overtime. After two scoreless overtime periods, MBA lost 4-3 in a shoot out. Dan Swartz, John Enkema, and Dawson Thombs scored for MBA in the shoot out.

The team ended the season with a 6-6-1 record. Stephen Jones led the team in scoring with six goals. Dan Swartz and John Enkema had two goals apiece. Rob Elliot, Richard Baughman, Scott Sprague, Fred Goldner, and Stephen Young each had one goal with Sprague having numerous assists. Goalkeeper Charles Mayes played well all season.

JV Baseball Team Focuses On Improving Ability

By JOSH EASTER
and WILL CAMPBELL

This year's JV baseball team, under the direction of first year coach Bob Forrester, suffered through a dismal 1-5 season. Inconsistent pitching and hitting were key factors in the failure of the team, although there were many bright spots. The members of the team (with the letter "V" denoting varsity players playing JV) were freshmen Jim Harwell, Tommy Hayes, David Hobbs, Mike Morrissey (V), Brad Reese (V), and Mark Smith(V); sophomores Louis Graber, Frank Downey (V), Steven Hooper (V), Jay Siroman (V), and Bobby Whitson (V); and juniors Will Campbell, John Griffith, Jim Hunt, and Josh Easter.

The team opened the season at home against the Rebels of Franklin Road Academy. In the first game of a doubleheader, FRA, which recently has become somewhat of a baseball powerhouse, believe it or not, rocked MBA pitching for 19 runs in 5 innings, whereas the Big Red only managed five, thus losing 19-5. The second game proved to be

much different. After many changes in the lead, MBA found itself down 9-8 in the top of the fifth. After a couple of strikeouts, a few hits, and a wack, the bases were loaded for catcher Mark Smith. FRA's pitcher, a sophomore who had arms and legs about as big as a fungo bat, delivered Smith a mean pitch which he cranked over left center for a grand slam, giving MBA the lead 12-9. Unfortunately, the Rebels came back for four runs in the bottom of the third inning, defeating the Big Red 13-12 in an exciting game.

A few Saturdays later, the JV was home again against Antioch for a double header. In the opening, Antioch's powerful hitting was too much for Big Red pitching and the Bears rolled to a 9-0 win. In the second game, the pitching for the Big Red was much better, only giving up 4 runs, but there was still a lack of offense on the part of MBA, and the JV lost by the score of 4-1. The following Saturday, Hillsboro invaded MBA in what proved to be an exciting day for baseball. In the first game, the Burros jumped to an early 2-0 lead, but an RBI single by John Griffith in the bottom of the first trimmed their lead to 2-1.

However, that was all for MBA as they gave up 2 more runs and finally fell 4-1. The Big Red finally got their act together (about time, isn't it?) in the second game as their bats came alive. Once again, the opponents jumped to an early lead, but MBA was still able to make up the deficit, and after two innings, it was 4-3 in favor of Hillsboro. The bottom of the third proved to be the deciding period of the game as the Big Red chalked up three more runs, making the score 6-4, MBA's favor. Jay Siroman, pitching in relief, came on the mound and preserved the JV's lead, resulting in their first victory of the year by the score of 6-4.

Although the team doesn't have that much to be happy about, they should be happy that they've had the chance to improve their baseball ability. With much more work, the JV baseball team should return next year with much more success.



Fred Joseph Goldner wreaks devious soccer technique on opposing player.

Outlook Good for Freshmen Tracksters

By ROB CHILTON
AND BRENNON MARTIN

This year under the leadership of Coach Compton, aided by Coaches Owen, Caldwell, and Pruitt, the freshmen track team achieved a record of 4-1 in dual meets and placed 5th out of 13 teams in the Olympic Trophy Meet at Overton. In dual meets the freshmen soundly defeated Knox Doss, Hillwood, Apollo, and Franklin. Their only loss during the regular season was to Overton in a meet that was decided in the final race.

Leading the freshmen in points this year were Michael McNally with 66.5, Steve Jobe with 57.25, and Trey Everett with 43. The

Fresh had several city champions. Steve Zibras won the 1600 meter with a time of 4:49. Although he did not win, Sibras ran a 2:12.6 in the 800. McNally won the pole vault, Demetric Patikas won the shot put, and Everett won the discus. There were many outstanding members of the team. Emmet Russell jumped 19 feet, the 3rd best freshman leap ever. The 3200 relay of Zibras, Jay Knowles, John Overfield, and Jobe set a new freshman record of 9:10.2. McNally vaulted 11 feet in the Apollo meet. This vault was the 2nd all-time best freshman performance. The 400 relay team, composed of Alex Rice, Rob Banett, David Spickard, and McNally, ran a 48.6 in the Olympic Trophy, a mere .10 seconds off the

Fresh record. Other contributing members were Bill Penue in the 1600, Rob Archer and David Head in the low hurdles, Richard Speight in the 400 and 1600 relay, Patrick Keeble in the 800 and 3200 relay, and Kurt Gilleland in the 400 and 3200 relay. Coach Compton was very pleased with the overall abilities of the team this year. He says, "The team did not have the kind of individuals to place high, but the team had good overall depth."

"I was really pleased with the sprinters this year and felt they did a great job during the season," comments Coach Owen, "and with a lot of hard work I feel that they can contribute greatly to future teams."

Snow and Microbe Basketball

By JAY RIVEN

Mother Nature doesn't play basketball, does she? Well, if she does, she seems to have played against this year's microbe basketball team led by Coach Bennett and Coach Morel. "The weather has definitely destroyed us," said Coach Bennett referring to the snow-shortened five game season.

The microbes finished 1-3 in the regular season, with the HVAC tournament to come. The lone win

was over BGA by a score of 33-29. Chris Hall and Drew Robinson contributed the four points needed for victory in overtime. The microbes ended their season with a first-round loss to Ensworth in the HVAC Tournament.

Other appreciated eighth-grade contributors to the team were Bo Healy, John Smithwick, Charles Treadway, Forrest Conner, Harley Bodine, Chris Carlton, Thomas Williams, and James Cheek.

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The Rowdies Love Baseball

By DAVID F. WOOD

The MBA Big Red Baseball Team finished the regular season with an even 9-9 record and a 7-7 record in the district. "The season was disappointing," said junior pitcher Chip Fridrich, "in the sense that we did not place in the district as we had hoped, but that was because the entire district was so strong." The season ended with a district tournament loss to Hillsboro.

The baseball season, though lackluster in appearance, was not without its colorful aspects. For instance, the Right Field Rowdies brought renewed interest and enthusiasm to the Big Red Baseball Program. The Rowdies, named for their antics in the earthen right field seats, accomplished their major goal: bringing support to the baseball team. However, this goal was accomplished with some unorthodox tactics.

First, the right field partiers in-

sisted on comfort for viewing the games. Standard attire has been Bermuda shorts and sunglasses. The Rowdies prefer the standard lounge chair to the hard aluminum bleachers.

The Rowdies realized the need for gourmet food at the games, thus they introduced the charcoal grill to the grounds of MBA for cooking hot dogs. One of the faculty Rowdies, Mr. Bill Smith, brought another Ball Park favorite: watermelon for the hungry, thirsty masses. A plethora of coolers of soft drinks also appeared in the right field.

One of the more interesting aspects of the Right Field Rowdies was the use of the organ. The Rowdies' organist Patrick Roberts, in addition to playing standards such as "Charge" and "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" entertained the teams and fans with contemporary numbers such as "Jump" and "Louie, Louie."

The Rowdies were but one of the

highlights of the season for the Big Red. The team itself had some memorable moments. Some of these moments came in the week that the Big Red won four straight games, outscoring its opponents 48-8. Arising the same week, the Red won key victories over district powerhouse Antioch and over Glenclyff.

The well-rounded MBA team had some standouts in individual statistics. Both Rob McNair and Senior Harry Peffen batted over .400 for the season, each having over 50 at bats. McNair and fellow Junior Talbot Masten were among the top hitters in the city. In the pitching department Chip Fridrich had a strong 3.64 earned run average and had 52 strikeouts while walking only 19.

Members of the Team feel that next year could be a good one for the Big Red because of the strong showing from underclassmen this year and because of the renewed support for the team that will, hopefully, carry on to next year.



Talbot Masten prepares to de-hide the ball.



Hurdler Johnny Thompson destroys the opposition.

The Track Team's Strong Ability

By PAT BOWERS
and JIM CAMPBELL

This year's track team was strong in its ability. Although there were not many standouts, the depth of the team was exceptional, which became obvious in the dual meets where MBA shined. This season proved to be very competitive and challenging for the team, but it was also instructive and fun for all the participants. Among the notable runners this year were the talented Gavin Moon, who scored over 105 points even before the Regional meet, and state decathlon-bound Steve Rollins. Overall, the strong areas of the team were the field events and the relays, to which Paul Bond, Rob Alley, Paul Soper, Michael Inman, and John Jenkins made significant contributions. Practices were rough, and the talent of this team should be measured by the hard work and dedication put forth by every member of the team.

The track squad dominated its dual meets with a record of 7-1. The team scored a total of 765.5 points

to its opponents' 357 points. Big contributors to the running events

were the relay men, the hurdlers, and occasionally the distance runners. The relay teams switched around often, but the main runners were seniors Frank Wilk, Paul Bond, and Steve Rollins, junior Gavin Moon, and sophomores Brennan Martin, Johnny Thompson, and Todd Cassety in the sprint relays; seniors Rob Alley and Walter Smithwick, juniors Harvard Reynolds and Jim Gardner, and sophomores Andy Davis and Rashad Fakrudini in the distance relay. The hurdlers were Johnny Thompson and Todd Cassety in the 110, and Steve Rollins and Clay Trabue in the 300 intermediates. The distance runners this year, dominated by senior Walter Smithwick, showed much depth and promise for next year. Milers and 2-milers included junior Pat Bowers and sophomores Andy Davis and Jonathon Cole. There were several big surprises in the distance running such as newcomers Harvard Reynolds in the 800 meters, and Jim Campbell in the 2-mile.

A bright spot of this year in track was the field events. Consistently scoring and consistently improving, the field events were rarely a disappointment. The shot putters and

discus throwers (the "weight men") worked hard at improving themselves. John Jenkins, the 135' man, led the discus throwers, with Trajan Carney and David Farrar often right behind him. Robert Michael Reed and Brad "the Beast" Mangrum led the shot putters to throws of up to 44 feet. Gavin Moon went a long way in the long jump, breaking the school record at the Optimist Relays with a jump of 21'1 1/2". There was much competition in the pole vault, which was an area of high hopes for the team. Paul Soper, who hit 12'6" and won the Banner Relays, and Michael Inman, who reached 11'6", vied for the number one spot on the team. In the high jump the leaders for MBA were sophomores Michael Inman and Peter Paris.

Results of the Regional Tournament on May 11 proved the Big Red team 6th best of 26 teams. One exceptional performance was Paul Soper's 2nd place in the pole vault, which earned him a berth in the state tournament. Other achievements in the regionals were 800 meter relay team's (Moon, Thompson, Wilk, and Paris) breaking the school record and the 3200 relay team's fourth place (Gardner, Davis, Smithwick, and Alley).

MBA's Future Winning Tradition

By STEVEN MASON

The 1985 Microbe Tennis Team under the coaching of Mr. Ed White upheld the winning tradition of MBA tennis. Despite the fact that three of the top four players on the ladder were seventh graders, the team won all of its matches except two. The Microbes beat Moore Junior High, Ensworth, BGA, and FRA. The two losses of the year came from Brentwood Academy and Baylor of Chattanooga. However, the Microbes were not deterred by the loss to Baylor and beat McCallie late on the same day by the score of nine to seven. Drew

Robinson played No. 1 singles followed by Latent Thomas, at No. 2 singles and Nathan Savet at No. 3 singles. Charles Treadway and Jamie Check comprised the number one doubles team with Carter McNabb and Andy Coulams playing number two doubles. Mr. White feels that the success of this team is due not only to good coaching but also to hard work and a lot of practice. Mr. White would also like to acknowledge the other sixteen members of the team who did not start but were of such high caliber that they constantly pushed the starters to higher levels of excellence in practice during the season.

Microbe Track: Developing Excellence

By JONATHAN COLE

This year's microbe track team was the smallest squad in thirteen years. It looked as though the microbes would have a very difficult season. The coaches decided that the team should concern itself not with the actual record, but with the personal development of its athletes.

As the season began and the team started to work its way through its

meets with the track powers of the HVAC, several individuals emerged as team leaders in selected events: Chris Jones ran the hurdles, Rabin Nimmo threw the discus 100 feet, and Bo Healy excelled in the 800 meter run and the pole vault. One of the greatest accomplishments on the team was the running of a 4:57 mile by distance runner Langston Hyde (a sub five minute mile could place in some varsity track meets).

The team closed out the season in the HVAC Championships on May 10th. Scoring points for the Red were Chris Jones in the hurdles, the 1600 meter relay team, Bo Healy in the 800 meter run, and Langston Hyde in the 1600 meter run.

In reviewing the season, Coach Gaither said that all the runners "...worked hard all season to achieve their own personal success."

Tennis Team Again Dominates Nashville

By SANDY MCLEOD
and CHIP BLAUFUSS

This year, the MBA varsity tennis team has continued its dominance of the Metro area. Led by seniors Hunt Warner and Mike Wood, this inexperienced and youthful squad of players compiled a 15-3 match record. Highlighting the season were victories over: Webb (2) and Farragut during a trip to Knoxville; rivals Brentwood High (2) and Brentwood Academy, and public school power McGavock. In the

tournaments this year, the Big Red had a disappointing season. In the Rotary Invitational at Baylor, the team placed fifth out of 9 teams. Due to impartial pairings, the MBA players played the top seeds in every division. Because of that, only sophomore Tommy Frist placed in singles with a second place finish. In doubles, the team composed of Mike Wood and Hunt Warner finished second in number two doubles. After the trip to Chattanooga, the team returned to Nashville to finish the year. At the year-ending Carter Invitational

hosted by MBA, the team finished third behind Baylor and McCallie. Warner and Frist placed second in their respective divisions.

Because the team will only lose Warner and Wood to graduation, this year can be regarded as a building block to success next year. Many young players gained much needed experience this season. Juniors Vivek Sahota (No. 2) and Beau Wilson (No. 7) and sophomore phenomenon Frist (No. 3) will be supported by other players such as junior Bud Henderson (No. 10), sophomores Sandy McLeod (No. 8) and Chip Blaufuss (No. 9), and freshmen Arthur Henderson (No. 5) and Sterling Price (No. 6).

With the arrival of several outstanding players next year and with the improvement of young players on the present team, next year's team should improve on this year's outstanding record and could give Coach Poston and Coach West a state championship.



Mike Wood hits the ball.

J.V. Soccer DOES Exist!!!

By JAY RIVEN

Question: What do you call something never seen, heard, observed, or talked about?

Answer: J.V. Soccer

J.V. Soccer!!! What is it? To set the record straight and to clear up any rumors that never existed, J.V. soccer is a team composed of 20 select players from 7th to 11th grade. I know you never see its games posted or results announced, but it *does* exist. The 2-1-2 record is for real! While I am answering these essential questions, I may as well answer this one, "Why in the world has Davidson French been at MBA from 3:00 to 5:00 each day? I thought he graduated last year!" Well, he did graduate but he has returned to coach the J.V. team.

MBA gained their two victories against arch rival Father Ryan (2-0, 2-1). Players Chris Hall, Brent Allen (later lost because of injury), Gilbert Smith, Drew Nord, Daniel Donelson, Park Thomas, David

Bobo, and Jay Riven played well in the team's two victories. One of the two ties came against Brentwood. Tim Wallace, John Smithwick, Kenny Russell, Steve Mihas, and David Enkima contributed to the close 1-1 tie. The 2-1 loss and 1-1 tie against Hendersonville provided the J.V.'s most challenging games. Paul Moffet, playing in home territory, Nick Anton, Steve Parker, Hunt Brown, and Thomas Gutow displayed tremendous effort even though MBA did not win.

Several members of the varsity bravely stepped down to aid the J.V. and provide support. These players included Storm Sommer, Scott Pearson, Willie Lin, Jimmy Mihas, Jon Huddleston, Ted Rice, Barry Lancaster, and goalies Ron Grover and Paul Lentz.

This J.V. team is very thankful for the coaching of Davidson French, and the fact that there is a J.V. soccer team, because it provides valuable experience for those young men who want to play varsity soccer.



Hunt Warner in action.

Champion Freshmen Basketball Team

By JIM HARWELL

The 1984-85 MBA Freshman Basketball Team won the District 21-AAA Tournament Championship February 14 at Hillwood High School in a win over the Glencliff Colts, 44-27. The Big Red, top-ranked in the city and the top-seeded team entering the tourney, won two close battles in the quarter and semi-finals to set up the championship rout, which avenged an earlier season loss. The first two games were decided in the final seconds when the freshman hit several clutch free throws. They defeated Hillsboro 28-24 in the quarter finals and pulled off a 36-33 win over 4th seeded Whites Creek in the semi-finals. The 14 man squad credits their great accomplishments to 1st year head coach Ricky Bowers, whose goal for the season and the tournament was not necessarily to win games, but to improve defensively and offensively and to improve the team's attitude in areas outside of the game as well.

In the quarter finals on February 7, Hillsboro surprisingly was ahead late in the game, but the Frosh fought back to win the game 26-24. David Spickard led the scoring with 11 points.

In the semis on February 13, MBA faced the high Whites Creek Cobras, led by 6'5" center David Sadler. The Cobras held a slim 14-13 half-time lead in the heated

battle and held a 27-21 lead with 4 minutes left in the game. The Frosh, urged on by the large crowd, scored 8 straight points to go ahead 28-27. Minutes later, Whites Creek was down 32-31 and had the ball with 30 seconds left. A foul on Sadler, his fifth, with 18 seconds left after a missed shot, sent forward Mike Morrissey to the line with a 1-1. He canned both tosses to put MBA up for good. Morrissey finished with 15 points and Spickard had 9.

The finals were the next night, and Glencliff posed a problem. The razzle-dazzle Colts had beaten the Big Red 62-54 earlier in the year. A close game was expected. A huge and boisterously loud crowd assembled at Hillwood to watch the battle. MBA, behind power center Marc Smith's 17 points, blew the game wide-open early and never looked back. Morrissey and Spickard combined for 16 points, as the Frosh shot 45% from the field and 73% from the line, but the main factor in the rout was MBA's defensive pressure, which forced constant Glencliff turnovers. The eleven teams that had entered the tournament had been narrowed to the lone champion, and the winner did not just happen to be MBA. The freshmen deserved the championship, having worked long hours since November, including practices on weekends and rigorous Christmas Break workouts. Coach Bowers told the team after the

game, "You earned what was rightfully yours because you worked for it. You set forth to improve and you deserve it."

The Frosh were led throughout the year by Smith, Morrissey, Reese, Spickard, forward John Teas, and guard Emmett Russell. Guards David Fletcher, Jay McKnight, and Jim Harwell added depth to the backcourt, while in the frontcourt, Michael McNally, Bobby Mikulak, David Head, Alex Rice, and Patrick Roberts made contributions. Spread talent, sound fundamentals, patience on offense, sharpshooting, and most of all, defense were the keys against a schedule consisting of the traditional AAA powerhouses in the Mid-State. Bowers created new offensive sets all year, but on defense the team never left their intense, man-to-man formation. This defense, the only one of its kind in the district, baffled and wore down their opponents physically and mentally. Highlights of the incredible season were comeback wins over Whites Creek (38-32), and Overton (37-31); a five-game winning streak; an 8-game tear to close out the season; a sweep of arch-rival Father Ryan (52-47, 43-26); and, of course, the District Crown. The only losses came against Glencliff after two weeks of practice and Maplewood (46-39) in overtime. Bowers' and the team's main goal, not to directly dominate, but to improve in many areas, was achieved.



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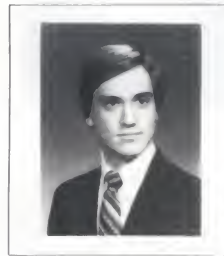
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- The **William Martin Award** is given to the Best All-Around boy in school.
- The **William Bailey Memorial Award** is given for Honor, Integrity, and Loyalty in the Senior Class.
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- The **Russell W. Carpenter Community Service Award** is given to a Senior who has participated actively in his church and in other community endeavors.
- The **DAR Award** is given by the Daughters of the American Revolution for Good Citizenship in the Senior Class.
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- The **Sewanee Award** is given for the Best Citizen in the Junior Class.
- The **Jack C. Massey Award** is given for Good Citizenship in the Junior School.
- The **Lindsey Award** is given for the Outstanding Athlete in the 1984-85 school year.
- The **Sam Davis Memorial Medal** is given to Essay Winners on the topic of "The Courage of Sam Davis"—MBA graduate.
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